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April 1, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVAL OF AFFILIATION AGREEMENTS WITH NORTHEAST VALLEY
HEALTH CORPORATION AND CAREER COLLEGES OF AMERICA**
(3rd and 4th Districts) (3 Votes)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Approve and instruct the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to 1) sign agreements with Northeast Valley Health Corporation (Exhibit I) for a Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Dietetic Internship training program in the Department of Health Services (DHS) Public Health Nutrition Program, and Career Colleges of America (Exhibit II) for a vocational nurse training program at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center and, 2) allow for DHS training sites to be expanded to include any facility established and operated by the County, effective upon Board approval and thereafter, to continue in full force and effect for an indefinite period of time, subject to termination by either party upon 30 days advance written notice. There is no monetary payment between the parties and the County.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approval of these agreements will allow Northeast Valley Health Corporation and Career Colleges of America to include Department of Health Services (DHS) sites as part of the observational and clinical experience obtained by students in public health nutrition in the DHS Public Health Nutrition Program and vocational nursing services training at Rancho Los

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Amigos National Rehabilitation Center. The agreements allow for DHS training sites to be expanded to include any facility established and operated by the County, such as County Hospitals, Multi-Specialty Ambulatory Care Centers, Comprehensive Health Centers and Health Centers.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There is no monetary payment between the parties and the County.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

The County has entered into affiliation agreements with a variety of institutions to allow students to obtain observational and clinical experience in various health care disciplines at DHS facilities, not available in purely academic settings, under the supervision of the affiliated institutions.

The affiliation agreements benefit the County because the students' training programs includes the incidental provision of patient care at no direct cost to the County. In addition, the training programs conducted at DHS facilities assist in recruiting trained health professionals into County service who are already familiar with the County's facilities and programs as a result of their participation in these training programs.

DHS has determined that these are not Proposition A agreements and therefore are not subject to the provisions of the County Living Wage Program.

These agreements are consistent with the County's Vision Statement regarding the undertaking of programs which have public value and DHS' Organizational Goal No. 2, Workforce Excellence, by training students who have the potential of becoming DHS employees and work in important health care fields.

The agreements have been approved as to form by County Counsel.

Attachment A provides additional information.

CONTRACTING PROCESS:

Affiliation agreements are not advertised on the Los Angeles County Online Web Site.

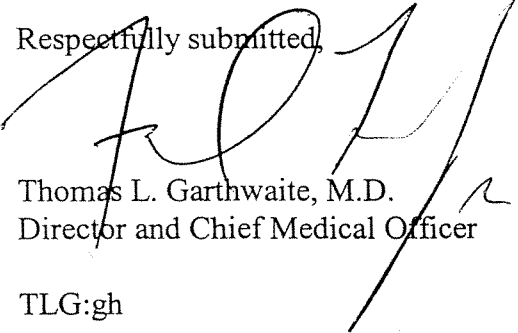
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS):

The recommended affiliation agreements will assist in recruiting trained health care professionals into County service.

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When approved, this Department requires three signed copies of the Board's action.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachments (3)

c: Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

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SUMMARY OF AGREEMENT1. Type of Service:

Provide observational and clinical experience for students at Department of Health Services facilities in the areas of public health nutrition and vocational nursing services training programs.

2. Name and Address of Affiliates
and Contact PersonsTraining Program(s)County Facility

Northeast Valley Health Corporation
1171 North Maclay Avenue
San Fernando , CA 91340-1300
Attention: Kimberly Wyard, CEO
Telephone: (818) 898-1388

WIC Dietetic Internship

Public Health Nutrition Program

Career Colleges of America
5612-14 East Imperial Highway
South Gate, CA 90280
Attention: Minnie Douglas, Ed.D., RN
Telephone: (562) 861-8702

Vocational Nursing Services

Rancho Los Amigos National
Rehabilitation Center

3. Term:

The term of these affiliation agreements will commence upon Board approval and thereafter shall continue indefinitely until such time as either party terminates the agreement with 30 days advance written notice to the other party.

4. Financial Information:

There is no monetary payment between the parties.

5. Approvals:

Public Health Nutrition Program:

Johanna Asarian-Anderson, MPH, RD, Director

Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center:

Valerie Orange, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Contract Administration:

Irene E. Riley, Director

County Counsel:

Elizabeth J. Friedman, Senior Deputy County Counsel

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